

IN SENATE
OF
THE UNITED STATES,

DECEMBER 12, 1817.

Mr. Daggett submitted the following motion for consideration:

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law on the subject of bankruptcies, and if they judge it expedient, to report a bill for that purpose. Also, that the aforesaid committee inquire into the expediency of further provision by law for the punishment of offences committed in places within the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States. Also, into the necessity of further defining piracy and other offences committed on the high seas, and into any defects existing in the laws of the United States for the punishment of crimes and offences.